

**THE MINUTES OF THE HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE
ON
FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES**

Wednesday, May 17, 2006

3:34 p.m.

Room 326 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Family and Children Services was called to order by **Representative Stahl**, Chair.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: None.

Representative Clack moved to adopt the minutes of the **May 3, 2006** meeting. The motion was supported by **Representative Polidori**. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Chairman Stahl laid **SB 1116** before the committee:

SB 1116 Hardiman	Children; protection; requirement for department of human services to assist and cooperate with law enforcement officials when child has been exposed to methamphetamine; provide for.
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TESTIMONY:

Kelly Bartlett, from Senator Hardiman's office, testified in support of the bill.

K.P. Pelleran, representing Fight Crime: Invest In Kids, submitted a card and written testimony in support of the bill and did not wish to speak.

Ron Hicks, representing the Michigan Department of Human Services, submitted a card in support of the bill and did not wish to speak.

Representative Pearce moved to adopt the substitute (**H-1**) to **SB 1116**. The motion was supported by **Representative Vander Veen**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **7-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Chairman Stahl opened the floor for discussion on day care provider concerns regarding the Michigan Department of Human Services and Child Care in Michigan.

TESTIMONY

Robin Slaton, representing Advocates for Better Child Care, testified and submitted written testimony. Questions and discussion followed.

Lisa Leonard, representing the Salvation Army's Beginnings Child Care, and Advocates for Better Child Care, testified and submitted written testimony. Questions and discussion followed.

The committee returned to the consideration of **SB 1116 (H-1)**.

Representative Pearce moved to report **SB 1116** with recommendation, as substitute **(H-1)**. The motion was supported by **Representative Clack**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

The committee returned to testimony on daycare concerns.

TESTIMONY

James Davenport, representing the Trinity Lutheran Child Care, testified. Questions and discussion followed.

Shirley Mohney, representing Island Kiddie Kampus Child Development Center (CDC), Inc., testified. Questions and discussion followed.

Rosemarie Hale, representing Little People, submitted a card and did not speak.

Juvette Hawkins-Williams, representing Little Gems Day Care and Learning, testified. Questions and discussion followed.

Theresa Patnoudé, representing the Eastminister Child Development Center, testified. Questions and discussion followed.

Rhoda Grubb, representing the Wee Discover Child Day Care, testified. Questions and discussion followed.

Amy Davis, representing the St. Johns Public Schools, Adventure Club Childcare Center, testified and submitted a Provider Handbook and Reporting Instructions for Child Care Providers by the Michigan Department of Human Services. Questions and discussion followed.

Mary Vermillion, representing the Willow-Wind C.A.R.E., submitted a card and written testimony and did not speak.

Pamela Eaton-Champion, representing Pam's Preschool and Pam's Academy of Champions, submitted a card and did not speak.

Tammy Rann, representing Kids Ink, testified. Questions and discussion followed.

Drema Raupp, representing the Children's Resource Network, testified. Questions and discussion followed.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Representative John Stahl, Chair
House Standing Committee on Family and Children Services
Malika Abdur-Rashid
Committee Clerk
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1 Hour 36 Minutes